

# CLATSOP COUNTY OREGON

## Resources and Opportunities

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**T**HIS section, most wonderful in its resources and opportunities, is situated in the extreme northwestern portion of the state and bounded on the north and west by the Columbia River and the Pacific Ocean.

It comprises nearly 500,000 acres, largely in timber, but includes thousands of acres of beautiful and immensely fertile valleys, large tracts of upland logged-off lands and great areas of tide lands.

Its commercial development has been only slightly exploited except along the lines of its fishing and lumbering, which probably have no equal in the world.

Even these are not as yet at their height, although many millions have been extracted from them, but the manufacture and utilization of their by-products have been largely overlooked.

Manufacturing sites are available with the Pacific Ocean at the front door and a trans-continental railroad at the back.

Freight rates to the Orient or the East are as low as at any point on the Coast.

Facts and figures as to every line of business have been collected for the would-be manufacturer.

Surroundings are congenial, with a host of public spirited citizens of culture and refinement, there being many churches of all denominations and the school system is of high grade.

Agriculture in all its forms reaches its highest development on account of the soil and climate, and it is a fact beyond question that there is no section where the small farmer can meet with such flattering results.

Tide lands, when dyked and prepared, represent an investment of not over \$150 per acre, and have a fertility that is almost incredible in dairy and garden products.

Climatic conditions are responsible for this, as the average annual rainfall is 76 inches, with extremes of heat and cold unknown, permitting pasturing stock ten months in the year, and no crops are ever affected by frosts.

Uplands, which are mostly logged off, present some of the finest farms for diversified cultivation, especially adapted for berries and fruits, and capable of intense attention.

Logged-off lands at very reasonable prices and terms by actual settlers can be secured and the modern method of clearing is a comparatively simple process and will produce \$500 worth of berries to the acre.

Butter manufactured in Clatsop County has the distinction of meeting the highest government tests, and no other section in the United States can equal it except in a small section south of it.

Climatic conditions permit the butter fat to ripen naturally in both summer and winter, and for this reason it is placed ahead of the products of Illinois, New York and California.

A cow to an acre is a fact in Clatsop County, and its product in butter fat receives a little more than the general average market price.

The home market consumes all of the product of butter and not one-tenth of the demand is

supplied, and the outside demand is unlimited.

Creameries, operated under the most scientific methods, that pay cash for the butter fat, are conveniently located in all the farming districts.

Clatsop County has an income that is truly remarkable in amount and character, and shows why so little of the harder work has been done.

From lumbering, fishing, government expenditures, summer tourists to the beaches, and shipping fully six million dollars are brought into the county annually.

To supply the people producing this amount not one-quarter is raised in the county for their maintenance, although every favorable opportunity and condition exists to do so.

Was there ever such a chance for a farmer, not taking into consideration the other opportunities, in a section that possesses such positive present and growing conditions?

Those desiring more detailed information can secure it by writing

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